

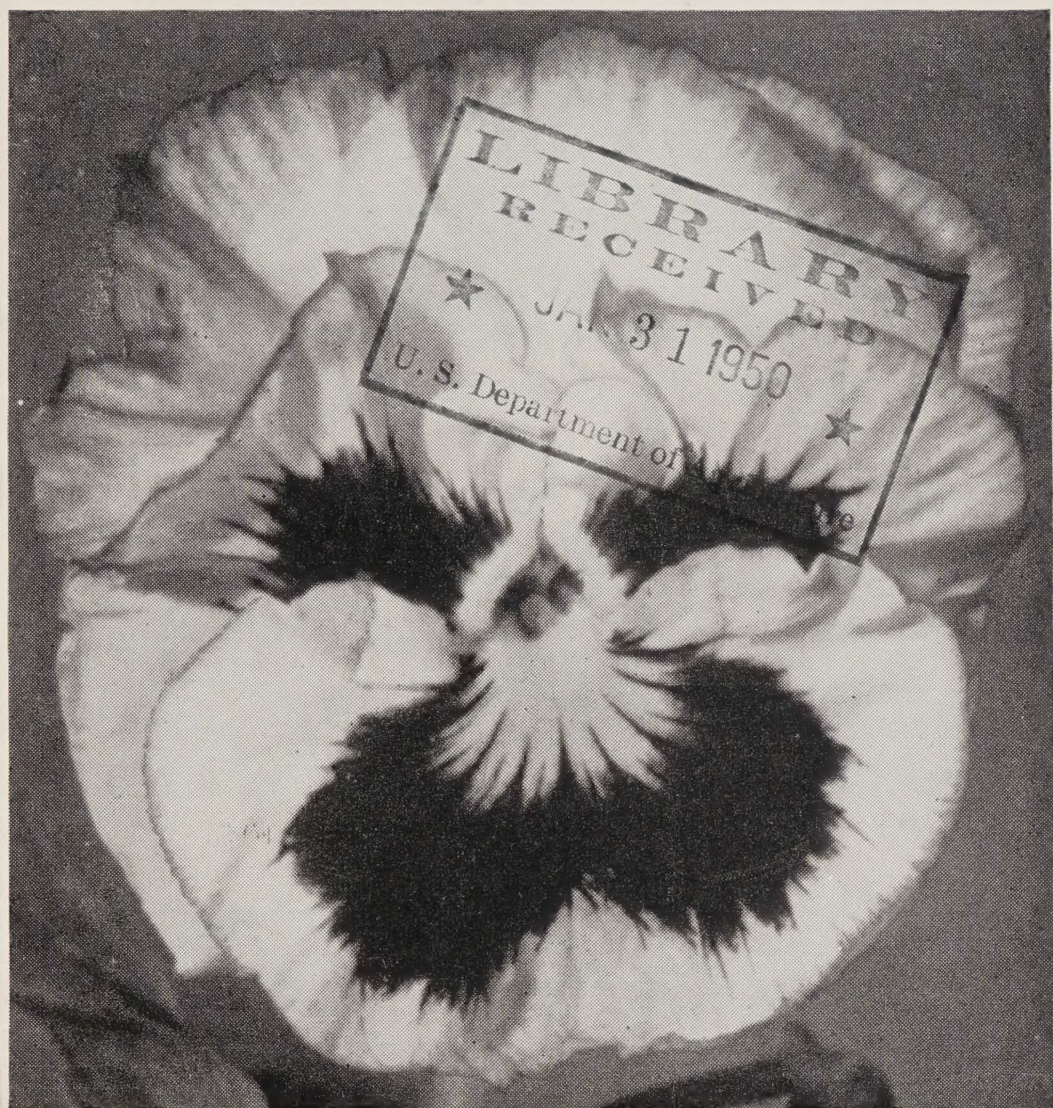
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● ● ● **FINEST GIANT RUFFLED PANSIES**
The Strain That Does Not Disappoint

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MRS. MERTON G. ELLIS
 Canby, Oregon

This wonderful strain of **Giant Ruffled Pansies** originated and grown by **Mrs. Merton G. Ellis**, has become world famous. The immense blooms are of wonderful shades and coloring beyond all description. They have very heavy texture and sweet fragrance. They stand erect on very long strong stems and, cut with their very luxuriant foliage, just a few blooms arranged nicely make a gorgeous display.

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(We do not list the separate colors nor mail Pansy plants.)

Your flower loving friend would appreciate a packet of
OREGON GIANT PANSY SEED.

If You Want **BETTER PANSIES**
Than Your Neighbor. Plant

The OREGON GIANTS

- Plant in late July, August, September or October for your spring pansy beds.
- Plant in the spring for your summer and fall beds

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1 packet, 500 seeds.....	\$ 1.00
1 ounce	12.00
1/2 ounce	6.00

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With their delicate fragrance and beauty, they are unsurpassed for table decoration, in the sick room and for all dainty floral uses.

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"I make lovely floral pieces with The Oregon Giants. I pick the blooms the day before I want to use them and put them in water in the refrigerator over night. They will do well if one picks them in the evening, places them in water and lets them stand outside all night. They hold up just beautifully. I have made wreaths of them and they are fresher than a lot of other flowers I have seen at funerals. It is quite warm down here but they always hold up handled in this way."

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The OREGON GIANTS



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Cultural Directions

It is a very satisfactory plan to make several sowings of seeds, so the Pansies will be at their best at different times.

In most climates best results are obtained by planting Pansy seed in late **July, August** or early **September** for early spring blooms.

If seed is planted in **October**, it is safer not to transplant the seedlings until spring, for in most climates they will not have time to become well established before the freezing weather sets in.

Spring Planting is desirable in climates too severe for the safe wintering over of plants. These should bloom profusely all summer, but will produce their largest blooms in the fall or during a cool rainy spell in summer if there should be one.

Prepare seed-boxes or flats for the seed, using good soil, slightly fertilized. If available, mix 1/3 leaf mold or peat moss with the soil. Sift the soil for the top half inch and use no fertilizer in that. Sow the seed thinly, broadcasting it. Sift just enough soil over the seed to **BARELY** cover it. Sift a thin layer of peat moss over this to help retain the moisture. Firm the soil by pressing with a flat board before sprinkling. Cover with a cloth or lath frame until the seed has germinated well. Sprinkle twice a day or often enough so that the seed **NEVER** dries out. Seed should germinate in from seven to fourteen days, depending upon conditions.

The seed beds should be protected during heavy storms or the tiny seedlings will be beaten down and perhaps ruined. More people fail to get good germination through sowing their seed too deep or letting it dry out than any other causes, so especial care should be taken in regard to that. But damping off may result if kept **too moist**, so it is better to sprinkle often rather than a great deal at a time. The shading with some kind of frame is also important because then they will not dry out so fast and there isn't so much danger of neglecting to sprinkle often enough.

Transplant when the seedlings have four or more leaves if weather conditions are favorable. Better let them become a little crowded than to transplant during a hot dry spell. Fall seedlings should be planted out in the open where they will get plenty of sunshine and where they will remain for spring blooming unless the winter is likely to be extremely severe. In such places they may need the protection of a cold frame but Pansies will stand even some zero weather if protected by straw or peat moss placed around the plants. Pansies that weather it through the winter out in the open will make the sturdiest plants and produce the largest, finest blooms in the early spring.

Pansies that are transplanted in the spring for summer blooming do well on the east side of some building where they will get the morning sun but not the hot afternoon sun. The north side gives pansies too much shade for good results.

Plants that are being grown for spring sales, may be set about six or eight inches apart in the row and the rows may be about fifteen or more inches apart, depending upon what method of cultivation is used. If plants are to remain all summer, they should be set about fifteen inches apart in the row.

Pansies want rich soil. Well rotted cow fertilizer seems to be the best for pansies, although rabbit, chicken, sheep and horse manures are good as well as bone-meal and other commercial fertilizers. It is a good plan to enrich the soil well, several months before time to transplant the seedlings.

In cultivating, leave the bed flat. Some people have a tendency to cultivate, raking the soil away from the plant so that each plant is left sitting on a little mound and this is likely to leave the side roots exposed. Rake the soil **toward** the plants; **not away** from them. Always cultivate after each irrigation as soon as the soil is in good workable condition. The dust mulch helps to conserve the moisture and it is not necessary to irrigate so often.

Mrs. Merton G. Ellis

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Suggestions for Marketing

PANSY PLANTS

People in general want to buy Pansy plants in the spring and there is small retail demand for them at other times, so seed must be sown with this in mind.

There is demand for small plants with from four to six leaves early in the spring. They stand transplanting well and customers will obtain splendid results from them.

There is even greater demand for **blooming** plants in the spring. They look so attractive put up twelve to the Pansy basket, each plant bearing a giant bloom. Each plant should be wrapped separately with newspaper around the roots but not covering up all the foliage. Early in the spring these baskets sell for \$1.00 or more.

Often it pays better to wrap 50 to 75 plants separately and place them in a peach tray, letting customers select the plants they wish. They sell readily for ten cents each. People are willing to pay for the best. Later in the season the price is less.

Although there is a great demand for Pansy plants, yet there is also much competition on public markets, etc., so it is important to have **BETTER PANSIES** than the others have.

In digging Pansies for market it is important to wait until a plant has had a bloom wide open for at least a week. The blooms increase in size greatly after first opening, especially in the spring. It sometimes takes patience to wait for them, but it pays.

There is also good demand from florists for small Pansy plants, transplanting size, in the fall. Some amateur gardeners also realize that it is better to buy small plants in the fall than blooming plants in the spring but in general the public buys the blooming plants.

PRIMROSES . . .

These are very hardy, long-lived perennials. They will grow almost anywhere.

Packet, 200 Seeds, Mixed.....\$1.00

This is a very choice mixture, selected originally from several of the best strains and will produce a bed of gorgeous blooms that can be seen a long way off and cause people to "come and see." The bed continues beautiful for two or three months, especially in March, April and May.

Seed Sowing

Prepare a deep flat or cold frame filled with good, rich garden soil mixed with peat-moss. Tamp firmly and sprinkle until it is damp all the way through. Then broadcast the seed rather thinly and **barely** cover with sifted peat-moss mixed with sifted soil. Tamp firmly again. Shade the cold frame with lath or cloth frame and **NEVER** allow it to dry out.

Fresh seed sown in summer or early fall germinates quickly, —in about a week or ten days. If sown in early spring, it takes about three weeks. Alternate freezing and thawing of the seed in a refrigerator before sowing assists germination.

Summer and fall seedlings should remain in the cold frame all winter, mulched with dead leaves. Primroses lose their leaves during the winter but will come again in early spring. Then they should be transplanted to their permanent bed, at least 12 inches apart. Seedlings from spring sowing may be transplanted as soon as they are large enough to handle well. They will bloom beautifully the following spring and the plants will last many years. They may be divided and re-set to make more plants if desired, a few weeks after the blooming season is over.

Primroses do well in partial shade or in open sun where they are shaded somewhat by other perennials. They like very rich, loose soil with good drainage and **PLENTY** of moisture. Irrigating after the blooming season should not be neglected.

He Had No Song

A lady asked me to go with her to see her husband, who was quite sick. After a few words about his bodily suffering, I asked him if he thought his suffering would end when his body yielded and death came.

"Well," said he, "I think my chances for getting to heaven are pretty good."

"Do you believe heaven is a reality?" I asked.

He said, "Yes."

"Is it true there is a hell?"

"Yes, I believe it," he replied.

"And you have a soul that will soon be in one of these places forever?"

"Yes," he said earnestly.

"You just now said you thought your chances for heaven were pretty good. You must have some reason for such hope."

COME! YOU ARE INVITED

HE was a blacksmith and a most wretchedly wicked man. He knew everything that was blatant and blasphemous in infidelity. He hated everything that was good, and loved everything that was bad. He studied to make himself an irritation to all who believed God, not even sparing his wife, who did the best she could in the patience and kingdom of Jesus. This man was given up as altogether beyond moral recovery, and so indeed he seemed. Prayer was made as though he had no existence; churches were opened and shut, but never with reference to him; the gospel was preached and mercy offered, but no one connected him with God's message to the world.

A few miles back in the country from the blacksmith's town there lived an old couple, Father and Mother Brown. They were close to ninety years of age. Theirs had been lives of conscious acceptance with God and of patient, unremitting devotedness to Him; and they were waiting without sorrow and without fear for the promised home-going.

Very early one morning the old man awoke, terribly agitated, and began to call his wife: "Get up, wife! Get up!"

"Why, good man," she said, "what is the matter?"

He answered: "I can't tell you now what's the matter; for I must start a fire in the kitchen. I want you to get breakfast ready as soon as you can; for I've got to go to town this morning."

"You go to town this morning!" she exclaimed. "Why, you are out of your head. You can't go to town. You haven't got any way of going, and I know you can't walk."

"Don't tell me what I can't do," the old man persisted. "I tell you, I've got to go to town. I had a dream last night, and—well, I'll go and make the fire; then tell you about it."

His wife followed him, the breakfast was prepared, and when the meal was over the old man started for town. It was a long and weary way for an old

"Well, I have always been kind to my wife and children and have lived a good, moral life, and have not intentionally wronged any of my fellow-men."

"What kind of a place do you think heaven is, and what do they do there?"

"Well, I think there is no sin nor sorrow there. It must be a happy place, and I think they sing there a good deal."

Turning to Rev. 1: 5, I said, "Yes, they do sing there, and I will just read you one of the songs they sing: *'Unto Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood.'* You see, they are praising their Saviour, the One who loved them and died for them. They have not a word to say about *what they have done*. It is all about *what He has done*."

"*'By grace are ye saved, thru faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast.'* Eph. 2: 8, 9."

"Now listen to this verse, which is another beautiful song they sing up

man to walk, but some strange strength was supplied him, and without stopping to rest he kept on. The village was reached. Through the main street he trudged, then into the narrow cross street, and made to the shop of "Devil John," the blacksmith.

"Father Brown!" he exclaimed, in great amazement; "what are you doing here, and so early in the morning?"

The old man answered: "That's just what I've come to tell you. Let's go inside, where I can sit down, for I am tired."

Together they went into the shop, and when seated the old man said: "John, I had a dream last night, and I've come to tell you about it. I dreamed that the hour I have thought about so much and tried to keep ready for so long was come. It was my time to die. And it was just like I thought it was going to be; for it was just as the Lord promised it should be. I wasn't the least bit afraid. How could I be? My room was full of angels, and they all spoke to me, and I loved them, and know they loved me. Then some of them stopped and slipped their arms under me, and away we went. Beyond the hills and beyond the clouds we mounted through the starry skies. O, how they sang! I never heard anything like it in my life. On we swept, and on, till one of them said, 'Look vonder, now, there's heaven!'

"O, John, I can't tell you how I felt when I was in sight of heaven; nor can I tell you what I saw when I looked. I don't believe any one could tell it. It was so peaceful, so beautiful, so pure, and so glorious! As we drew nearer, I saw the gates swinging open, and with even faster wing than we had come we swept through them into the city. Such a welcome! Welcome from everybody. All so glad, every hill seemed robed in gladness; it was in the fragrance of the flowers, in the music of every harp, in the song of every tongue, in the grasp of every hand; gladness everywhere, because I had come. Why, they made over me like I was somebody, when I was only a poor sinner saved by Jesus' blood. I found all my children there—not one of them lost—my boy that you used to be with and play with so much when you went to school together, was there; and your old mother, who was in my classes when I went to school.

there: *'Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us.'*

"Now suppose you were to go to heaven in the way you say, because you have been good to your family and so on. There would be one sinner in heaven who had never been washed from his sins in the precious blood of Christ, and you could not join in their songs of praise."

His head dropped and he was silent for a moment. He was now coming *face to face with eternal realities*, and his only reply was:

"I never thought of that before."

"But God has," I replied, "and He has made provision for just such as you who believe they can get to heaven by their good works. He says, 'Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.' John 3:3. If heaven is a place where there is no sin, then no one will ever enter there who has not first been washed from his sins in the precious blood of Christ. Another song they sing up there is, 'Thou art worthy,

And after a time—I don't know how long it was—I saw the same angels who brought me bringing another; and it was my dear, sweet wife. I loved her more than ever when they brought her to me there. She was fairer than the day we married. We sat under the trees of life together, and walked by the river that flows from the thorne of God. So happy! And I saw angels bringing in others—others that I love and you love. And so the years of eternity rolled.

"Then, John, all at once it came to me that I hadn't seen you anywhere. I set out to look for you. I went into every street, looked everywhere, asked everybody, but could get no trace of you. I was distressed more than you can know; and I went to the Lord, my precious Saviour, and asked Him where you were. And, O John, that you could have seen how sorry He was when He told me that you hadn't come! 'Not come!' I said. 'Why didn't John come?' And He wept, just as I suppose He often did when He was down here, and told me, 'Nobody ever asked John to come.' Oh, I fell at His feet. I bathed them with my tears. I laid my cheeks upon them, and I cried: 'Blessed Lord! Just let me out of here half an hour, and I'll go and ask him to come. I'll give him the invitation.' And right then and there I woke up. It was beginning to get light in the east, and I was so glad that I was alive, so I could come and ask you to go to heaven, and now here I am, and I have told you my dream, and I want you to come."

With other words the old man urged the royal invitation, but the blacksmith stood as one petrified. He could not speak nor move. Father Brown got up, and, saying, "Good-bye, John; remember, you've got the invitation; remember you are asked to come," took his staff and started home.

The blacksmith seemed to come to himself, and, as one recovering from a magician's charm, he set out to pursue the labors of the day. But everything went wrong—the bellows would not work right, the hammers would not strike right, the nails would not go in right, the horse would not stand right. "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" he began to sob at last, and leaving the shop, he went home. He told his wife of Father Brown's visit. "Blessed be God!"

for Thou wast slain and hast redeemed us to God by Thy Blood.' Rev. 5: 9. Remember, my friend, there will be only one song of praise up there, and that will be unto Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

"To—save—sinners," he repeated slowly.

"Yes," I said, "to save sinners. Not to help sinners to be saved, but to save sinners. *He is not a helper, but a Saviour.*"

He did believe, and I left him that night with a hope based not on what he had done, but what the Lord Jesus Christ had done.

By Grace

are ye saved, through faith, and that not of yourself, it is the gift of God. Eph. 2: 8, 9.

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she said. "We will send the horse and buggy, and have him come back." "Yes," he added, "for I mean to accept the invitation, and I want him to pray God to keep me true and steadfast to the end."

"Ho, every one that thirsteth, COME ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; COME ye, buy and eat. . . without money, without price. Incline your ear and COME unto Me; hear and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David." (Isa. 55:1, 3.)

"COME unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Math. 11:28.)

"And the Spirit and the bride say COME. And let him that heareth say, COME. And let him that is athirst, COME. And whomsoever will let him take the water of life freely." (Rev. 22:17.)

Dear Reader, God in His Word, the Bible, has over and over again invited YOU to COME home to Jesus. Great preparations have been made for your Homecoming. Many will be sad if you do not come. Now, finally, to make His invitation more personal, God has caused this little tract to come into your hands, undoubtedly through a praying Christian friend. I beg of you, do not let this be another "lost opportunity" in your life. Eternity, ETERNITY is a long time to brood and regret over what might have been, when "the GIFT of God is eternal LIFE through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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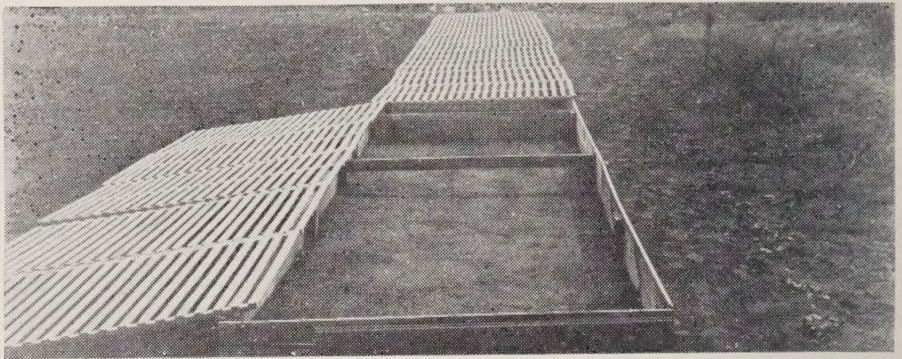
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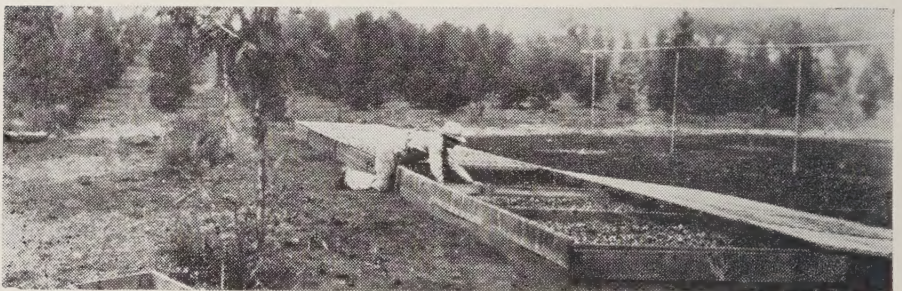
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Sections in the foreground are ready to be sown; those in the rear have seed germinating, shaded by the lath frames.



Showing the cold-frame in which are Pansy seedlings, being shaded by lath frames.



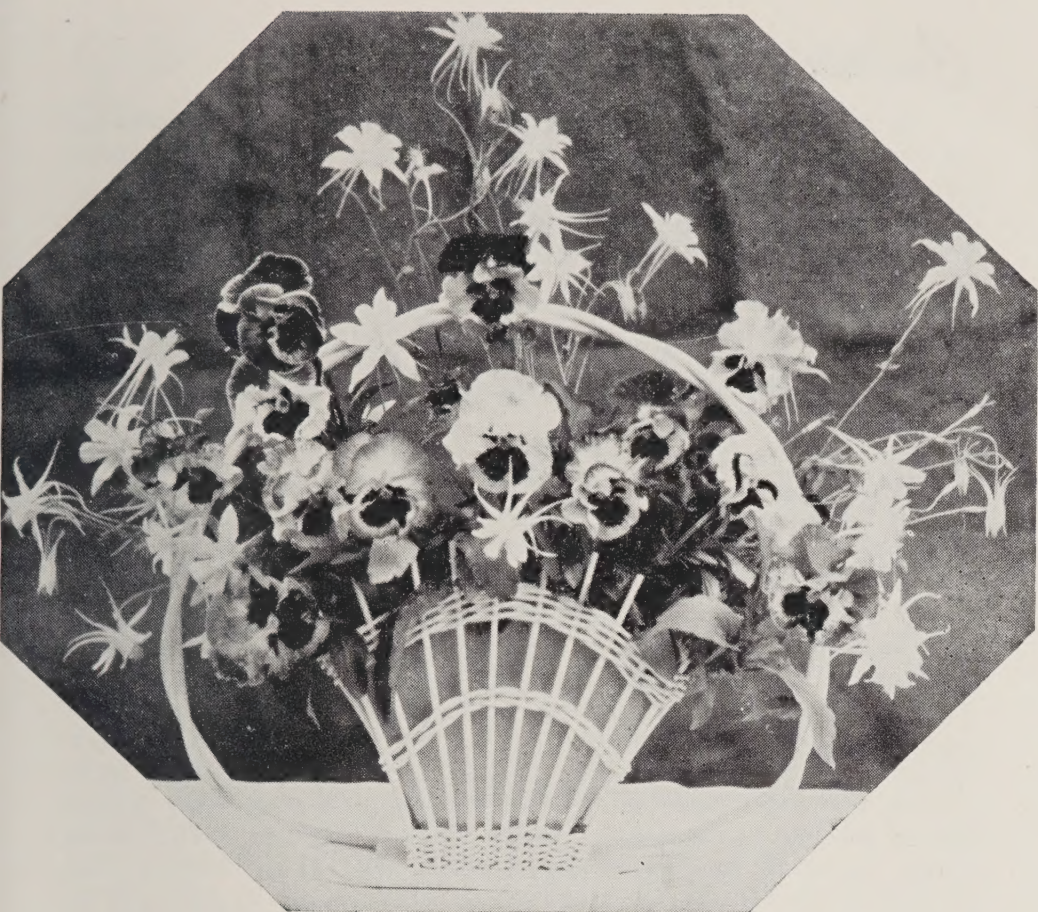
Weeding the seed-bed.

A cold frame is ideal for germinating Pansy seeds. The one shown in these pictures is 60 x 6 ft. but it may be made similarly on a much smaller scale if desired.

Only half of the cold frame is shown, because a very important part is underground. In order to exclude moles and gophers the soil was first dug out to a depth of about ten inches and made very level. Then boards were sunk to that depth all around it and galvanized wire screen of $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch mesh was laid completely over the floor of the seed bed and nailed to the boards around it so it would be mole-proof. Then soil, etc., was filled in even with the ground as described on the preceding page.

The lath frames are made in sections, the length of a lath by six feet, so they may be removed easily. The laths are nailed $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart. This seems to make sufficient shade, allows good ventilation, and the seedlings do not become as tender as they would under glass. Cloth frames would be advisable in places where the seed beds need protection from heavy storms. When seed is sown late in the fall or early spring, hot-bed sash is preferable to the lath frames, although the lath frames may be placed on top of the glass on very warm days for shade.

A very simple method for those growing a small quantity of plants is to use a box about eight inches deep, placed in full sunshine. For shading this, slit open a flour sack; tack one side of it to the back of the box at the top, make a wide hem in the opposite side of the cloth through which a narrow board may be placed to weight it down so the wind won't blow it off. This covering may be easily thrown back for sprinkling. If one is troubled with snails, ants, etc., eating the seed or seedlings, set the box on a table with the legs placed in cans of water.



Columbine or Aquilegia . . .

Packet, 200 Seeds . . . 50c

This is a very choice strain, the seed plants being selected from the famous Mrs. Scott Elliott hybrids and other choice strains.

The graceful, long spurred Columbine is one of the most satisfactory of the perennials. It blooms at a time when flowers are scarce, helping out greatly on Decoration Day, Mothers' and Fathers' Days, Commencements, weddings, etc. It gives a particularly beautiful lacey effect in baskets, combined with Pansies or other flowers, using the Columbine as a background and adding height to the general effect, as is shown in the photo above. Columbine works up nicely in funeral designs and is also beautiful in the garden. It blooms for a long period. It does best in partial shade but will thrive also in the sunshine. The seed may be planted in the spring, summer or fall. If planted in the fall, it would be best not to transplant until spring.

Columbine plants lose their leaves during the winter but will come again early in the spring. The plants live for many years, growing larger and blooming profusely. In some places it may take two years for them to start blooming but they are worth waiting for. Seed sowing and transplanting directions are the same as for pansies.

DELPHINIUM SEED . . .

THE PACIFIC STRAIN is pronounced by experts to be the most striking advance in Delphinium hybridizing in recent years, and has brought fame to its originator, Mr. Reinelt. These fine Delphiniums will add much beauty to your garden. Many of the florets are very large and exquisitely beautiful. We predict a great future for this strain.

Per packet, 200 Seeds, Mixed.....\$1.00

It takes a little longer for Delphinium seed to germinate than Pansy seed, but they should come if the seed is fresh. The fresher Delphinium seed is, the better it will germinate, so mid-summer sowing is recommended. It takes two years for Delphiniums to be at their best and they will live several years. They lose their leaves during the winter.

Delphiniums have two distinct blooming seasons, sometimes three. The blooms should not be allowed to go to seed, to secure best results. It is well to cut the plants back after a blooming season. Bone meal in moderation is good but not too close to the plants.

